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SUBJECT: FRENCH ENERGY MISSION TO VISIT AUSTRALIA

1. FRENCH EMBOFF TOLD EMBOFF TODAY THAT FRENCH ENERGY MISSION WILL VISIT AUSTRALIA STARTING JULY 18. IT WILL BE HEADED BY MONTRIE OF THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRIES WHO IS, ACCORDING TO OUR SOURCE, THE PERMANENT HEAD IN CHARGE OF THE ENERGY DIVISION. HE WILL BE ACCOMPANIED BY, AMONG OTHERS, SENIOR REPRESENTATIVES OF THE CHARBONAGE DE FRANCE, THE ELECTRICITE DE FRANCE, THE FRENCH ATOMIC ENERGY AUTHORITY AND REPRESENTATIVES OF THE VENTURERS INTERESTED IN THE NORTHWEST SHELF DEVELOPMENTS.

2. WHILE HERE, THE FRENCH WILL DISCUSS QUESTIONS OF NUCLEAR SAFEGUARDS, COOPERATION IN ENERGY-RELATED SCIENTIFIC DEVELOPMENTS AND MAJOR PROJECTS. IN REGARD TO THE LATTER THEY MEAN URANIUM MINING.

3. SOURCE SAID THAT, ALTHOUGH THERE HAVE BEEN A CONTINUING PROCESSION OF FRENCH VISITORS TO AUSTRALIA CONCERNED WITH
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THESE GENERAL AREAS OVER THE PAST EIGHT MONTHS, THIS OFFICIALLY-SPONSORED VISIT IS A DIRECT RESPONSE TO THE GARLAND (MINISTER FOR SPECIAL TRADE REPRESENTATIONS) TALKS IN PARIS IN MAY AND JUNE DURING WHICH THE FRENCH TOLD HIM FRANKLY, "LET'S STOP CALLING EACH OTHER NAMES AND TALK ABOUT SUBJECTS IN WHICH THE GOF AND GOA CAN AGREE OR ON WHICH THEY HAVE SOME COMMON GROUND AND COMMON INTEREST". INCIDENTLY, SOURCE ALSO SAID

THEY FOLLOWING WITH GREAT INTEREST THE FRG-GOA AGREEMENT TO
CONDUCT A FEASIBILITY STUDY ON COAL GASIFICATION.
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